Statement-II

Details of the Utilisation Certificates

Position of Utilisation Certificate	Name of States/UTs.
Received for the period upto 1984-85 .	(1) Assam, (2) Gujarat, (3) Himachal Pradesh, (4) Maharashtra, (5) Manipur, (6) Meghalaya, (7) Punjab, (8) Rajasthan, (9) Sikkim, (10) Arunachal Pradesh, (11) Delhi, (12) Goa, Daman and Diu and (13) Mizoram.
Received for the period upto 1983-84 .	(1) Andhra Pradesh, (2) Bihar and (3) Orissa.
Received for the period upto 1982-83 .	(1) Haryana, (2) Nagaland, (3) Uttar Pradesh and (4) Tripura.
Received for the period upto 1981-82 .	Karnataka.
Not received	(1) Kerala, (2) Madhya Pradesh, (3) Tamil Nadu and (4) West Bengal.

NOTE : (1) The scheme was launched during 1980-81.

(2) 22 States and 4 UTs. are covered under the scheme.

(3) J & K did not implement the scheme during the VI Five Year Plan.

Reported discussions of forestry funds

2151. DR. R. K. PODDAR: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news items which appeared in the *Telegraph* of 16th June, 1986 under the caption "Forestry funds diverted";

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard; and

(c) what action has been taken by Government in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY O ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI Z. R. ANSARI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The news item is based on the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the year 1984-85 on the centrally sponsored scheme of Social Forestry. The points made in the Report are as follows:—

(i) In some States/UTs., the physical achievements appeared to be less than what was reported by them.

(ii) As a result of incorrect reporting and other factors, excess grant was obtained in some cases by some States/UTs.

(iii) The Ministry released funds to three States without obtaining Utilisation Certificates in respect of the central grants released in earlier years.

(iv) In some States/UTs. some funds had been diverted to/were utilised in schemes which are not connected with this scheme.

(v) In some States the survival rate of plantations was low, adversely affecting the success of the programme.

(vi) In some States/UTs. the selection of districts was not correctly done.

(vii) Although assistance was providing for monitoring of the scheme, some States/UTs. did not

set up M&E units or the M&E units did not function properly.

(viii) There has been no evaluation of the scheme by the Central Government as well as some States/UT Governments.

(c) The implementing State/UT Governments were requested to furnish their comments on all the relevant paragraphs included in the Audit Report. So far reply from 12 States/UTs. (Bihar, Gujarat, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu and Kashmir, Kerala, Maharashtra, Manipur, Rajasthan, Tripura, Arunachal Pradesh, Delhi and Goa, Daman and Diu) have been received. The matter is being looked into and vigorously pursued with the cocerned States/UTs. Appropriate action will be taken after receipt of the comments/replies from them.

Development of Pondicherry

2152. SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what steps Government propose to take for the development of Pondicherry in view of the fact that there are no rivers and the people rely on electricity only for bore-wells; and

(b) whether Government propose to make adequate supply of electricity to that far-flung territory?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI AJIT PANJA): (a) and (b) The Union Territory of Pondicherry does not have its own generation and meets its power requirements by bulk purchase from the neighbouring States. With a view to augment its power supply position, this Union Territory has also been allotted a share in the Central projects *viz.* Neyveli-II Mine Cut Thermal Power Stage-I, Ramagundam Super Thermal Power Station and the Madras Atomic Power Project.

C.B.I. raids against high ranking officials

2153. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of raids conducted by CBI on IAS officers and other senior administrative officers, Bank Officers and Officers of Public Undertakings during the last three years;

(b) what facts came to light as a result of these raids;

(c) how many officers have been found guilty of criminal offences;

(d) what action has been taken against these officers; and

(e) the number out of them who had gone in appeal to higher courts during this period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRIES OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) During the years 1983, 1984 and 1985, 253 searches were conducted by the Central Bureau of Investigation in the residential/office premises of 178 officers belonging to the Indian Administrative Service, Group A officers of the Central Government and officers holding equivalent status in public sector undertakings in connection with the investigation of 174 cases registered by the Cetral Bureau of Investigation on allegations of possession of assets disproportionate to the known sources of income, cheating, forgery, criminal, miconduct etc.

(b) As a result of these raids, movable assets worth Rs. 2.98 crores (approximately) and immovable assets worth Rs. 90 lakhs (approximately) were discovered.

(c) In 39 cases the officers have been found, *prima facie*, guilty of criminal offences and are being prosecuted;